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PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

Sir:

Petitioner, Applicant in the above-identified application, hereby petitions the Commissioner to revive the above-identified application for patent in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(b).

A Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due was mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 8, 2004, in connection with the above-identified application. In response to this Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, an executed Part B-Issue Fee Transmittal was prepared which authorized charging the requisite issue fee for issuance of this application to Deposit Account 14-0225. This Part B-Issue Fee Transmittal was submitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 13, 2004. A copy of

the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the executed Part B-Issue Fee Transmittal are enclosed as Appendix A to this Petition.

Deposit Account 14-0225 was charged the Issue Fee in the amount of \$1,400 on December 14, 2004, on the U.S. Patent and Tradmark Office's Monthly Statement dated December 30, 2004, and having Control No. 56. A copy of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's Monthly Statement is enclosed as Appendix B to this Petition.

A Corrected Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated April 26, 2005, was received by Applicant. Applicant did not respond to this Notice since the Applicant had submitted the required Part B-Issue Fee Transmittal on December 13, 2004.

A Notice of Abandonment mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 21, 2005, indicated that the above-identified patent application was abandoned due to Applicant's failure to pay the required Issue Fee within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance dated April 26, 2005.

Upon receipt of the Notice of Abandonment, Applicant checked the Patent Application Information Retrieval website and found that the Issue Fee payment was recorded by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 13, 2004, as having been received. A copy of the Patent Application Information Retrieval website page is enclosed as Appendix C to this Petition. For reasons unknown to Applicant, the above documentation was apparently never received by the appropriate section at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Thus, in view of this Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment mailed September 21,

2005, and issuance of a Letters Patent based upon the above-identified application.

Authorization is given to charge any necessary fees for this Petition to Deposit Account No. 14-0225. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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